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**ESTONIAN LAND AND NAVAL FORTIFICATIONS**

Estonia -- Soviet naval fortifications: According to information from merchant marine circles, four guns of a type seen by the informer before the war on the Island of Aegna in Tallinn Bay were seen on the Island of Osmussaar, located on the sea route to Tallinn in Estonian waters. This makes it possible to conclude that there are mounted here batteries of 12 inches or of a much larger calibre. These guns were reported to be located on the northwest end of the Island.

Another person who was in this region a month ago maintained that there were six guns on the Island of Osmussaar. The general description and size of the guns according to the stories of both informants correspond.

The small number of sailors making trips past Osmussaar made verification of the above-reported observations difficult. Everything possible was done to establish contact with the sailors travelling in waters of interest to us.

Land forces of the Red Army on Estonian territory: Information obtained here indicates that at the beginning of this year the total number of infantry and tank units was reduced. Two infantry divisions were moved in a southerly direction, the 84th from the Pärnu area and the 141st from the Valga area. Both units were sent to Latvia. The withdrawal of the infantry regiments of these divisions began at the end of January and was carried out in march order, without boarding the railroad. Reports heard indicate that the divisions were being sent to

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new quarters in Germany. Up to the end of March no new units replaced those moved from Estonia. Both divisions were composed entirely of Russians.

Furthermore, tank units stationed at the Värskä firing range north of Petseri were moved out of Estonia. The direction in which these units were moved is unknown, but it was reported that possibly they also went to Latvia.

One of the regiments of MVD troops quartered in the Täntvere Barracks, was moved from the Tartu area in February of this year and sent by railroad to Pskov.

According to authentic information, the Red Army Command changes division numbers from time to time. It is established that the Division bearing the number 149 up to October 1948, at this time acquired the number 169, although all units in the division remained the same and retained their original numbers.

This is done to make it difficult to obtain a true picture of the disposition and T/O of large military units.

Troops of the Red Army stationed in Estonia are a part of the Leningrad Military District. Until now their army corps subordination has not been established.

It is known that the higher staffs of these troops are located in Tapa (terminal on the Tallinn-Tartu-Narva line). The staff is headed by General Kozakov.

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